V. And he it enacted, That the governor, with the advice of the council, be CHAP. authorised to remit the whole or any part of any fine heretofore imposed, or here- May remit after to be imposed, by any militia court martial, provided the case and reasons sines by milifor remission be stated and signed by the persons granting the same.

martial, &c.

VI. And he it enacted and veclared, That on conviction for treason, the judge-Part of judgement shall be to suffer death by hanging only, and the circumstance of cruelty son omitted, in the judgment by the law of England shall be omitted, and judgment as to &c. forfeiture of property shall be as heretofore.

C H A P. XLIII.

An ACT to empower Robert Dick to settle and collect the debts due to David Dalzell, George Oswald, and company, and Oswald, Denniston, and company, or either of them, and to apply the same.

An ACT to make partition between this state and Thomas Russell, of Cecil . county, of the property which formerly belonged to the company denominated the Principio company.

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An ACT to empower Frank Leeke, of Prince-George's county, to fettle and collect the debts due to Thomas Philpot, of London, merchant, and to apply the fame.

C H A P. XLVI.

An ACT to empower Thomas Contee to settle and collect the debts due to William Molleson, and William and Robert Molleson, or either of them, and to apply the same.

> C H A P. XLVII. An ACT for the relief of John Briscoe.

> > C H A P. XLVIII.

An ACT to authorise the United States in congress assembled, to impose and levy a duty of five per centum on imported foreign goods, and on all prizes and prize goods, for the payment of the debt contracted by congress during the war.

It enacted, by the general assembly of Maryland, That the United States Congress may in congress assembled be hereby authorised to impose and levy a duty of goods, &c. J five per centum ad valorem, at the time and place of importation, upon all goods, wares and merchandise, of foreign growth or manufacture, imported into this state, from any foreign port, island or plantation; provided that arms, ammunition, cloathing, and other articles, imported on account of the United States, or any of them, and wool cards, cotton cards, and wire for making them, and falt, be exempted from the faid duty during the war.

II. And he it enasted, That the United States in congress assembled, be also On prizes, hereby empowered to impose and levy a like duty of five per centum, on all prizes and prize goods condemned in the court of admiralty of this state.

III. And he it enaced, That the United States in congress assembled, be here-May appoint by invested with power to appoint, at such places in this state as may be most collectors, convenient, proper persons to collect the duty aforesaid, and to inslict such penalties as they may judge necessary to secure the punctual payment thereof, and to enforce obedience to their ordinances or regulations respecting the duty of their officers, and the faithful collection of the faid duty; and all penalties inflicted by congress shall be recovered in the name of congress, and by the same speedy mode as is established by law for the recovery of fines for the breach of any of the laws of this state; and the said United States in congress assembled, are hereby vested with a power to make all fuch ordinances, regulations and arrangements, as to them may seem proper or necessary for the collection of the said duty, provided that the faid ordinances, regulations or arrangements, shall not be incompatible with the constitution or laws of this state.